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THE WEATHER.
Cloudy

ATTACKERS MARK TIME IN FRONT OF VERDUN'S WALLS

German Offensive, Now Nearing
End of Its Fourth Week. Once
More Has Slackened
Perceptibly.

INFANTRYMEN ARE RESTING

Chief Activity on Western Front
Now is that of the Air
Fighters.

FRENCH PLANES SHELL DEPOTS

BULLETIN.
BERLIN, March 19.—A successful
attack against the British lines
northeast of Verdun, in which the
Germans regained ground they had
lost in mine fighting of March 2,
was announced today by the war
office.

In the Verdun region French at-
tempts against Le Mortomme and
east thereof were stopped at the out-
set.

PARIS, March 19.—The bombard-
ment in the region to the north of
Verdun very materially slackened
during the course of the day, accord-
ing to the official statement issued
by the French war office tonight.
No attempt to attack was made by
the Germans.

The German offensive in the Ver-
dun region, now nearing the end of
its fourth week, has again slack-
ened decidedly, both Paris and Ber-
lin reporting the continued absence
of infantry operations by either side.
The big guns here and there along
the front in the vicinity of the for-
tress are intermittently pounding op-
position positions, but the chief ac-
tivity just at present seems to be by
the airmen.

Numerous raids by French avia-
tors are reported by the Paris war
office, the points bombarded includ-
ing the railway stations of Conflans
and Metz. The showers of heavy
shells dropped are declared to have
been effective in causing numerous
explosions and fires.

Little Activity in Russia.
Elsewhere on the western front ar-
tillery is the only military arm that has
been busily occupied and even this has
not displayed more than ordinary ac-
tivity. In Russia there has been only
sporadic fighting, although there are signs
of preparations for movements of some
importance, particularly along the
northern end of the line.

The Austrians have turned on the Ital-
ians along the Isonzo, where the Ital-
ians have recently been for the most part
with General Cadorna's force. Vienna
announces a successful attack north of
the Tolmino bridgehead, in which Italian
positions were captured together with
nearly five hundred prisoners and three
machine guns.

In Arabia, the British report a defeat
for a Turkish force which attacked an
outpost near Oden.

Dutch Ship Torpedoed.
London announces the torpedoing of the
Dutch steamer Palembang, bound from
Rotterdam to Java. The vessel met its
fate off the Galloper light in the Thames
estuary Saturday morning. All the mem-
bers of the crew are reported saved.

Apparently the lost vessel was the Rot-
terdam-owned steamer Palembang of
5,000 tons, engaged in the Holland-Java
trade, for although there are two steam-
ers of that name the smaller is an oil
carrier which was last reported at Kirk-
wall on a voyage from Philadelphia to
Norway.

More Ammunition in Mexico Than There Has Been in Years

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 19.—Un-
usual activity displayed by the de facto
government of Mexico regarding its
stores of ammunition is shown in reports
from customs officers at different border
ports of entry. According to these re-
ports and to information secured by army
officers, shipments of rifle ammunition
in carload lots by express have become
common in the last three weeks. This
unusual haste was being shown before
Villa raided Columbus.

Far from being a shortage of ammu-
nition in Mexico, army men say there is
more small arms material there now than
there has been for many years.

The Weather

For Nebraska and Iowa—Increasing
cloudiness.

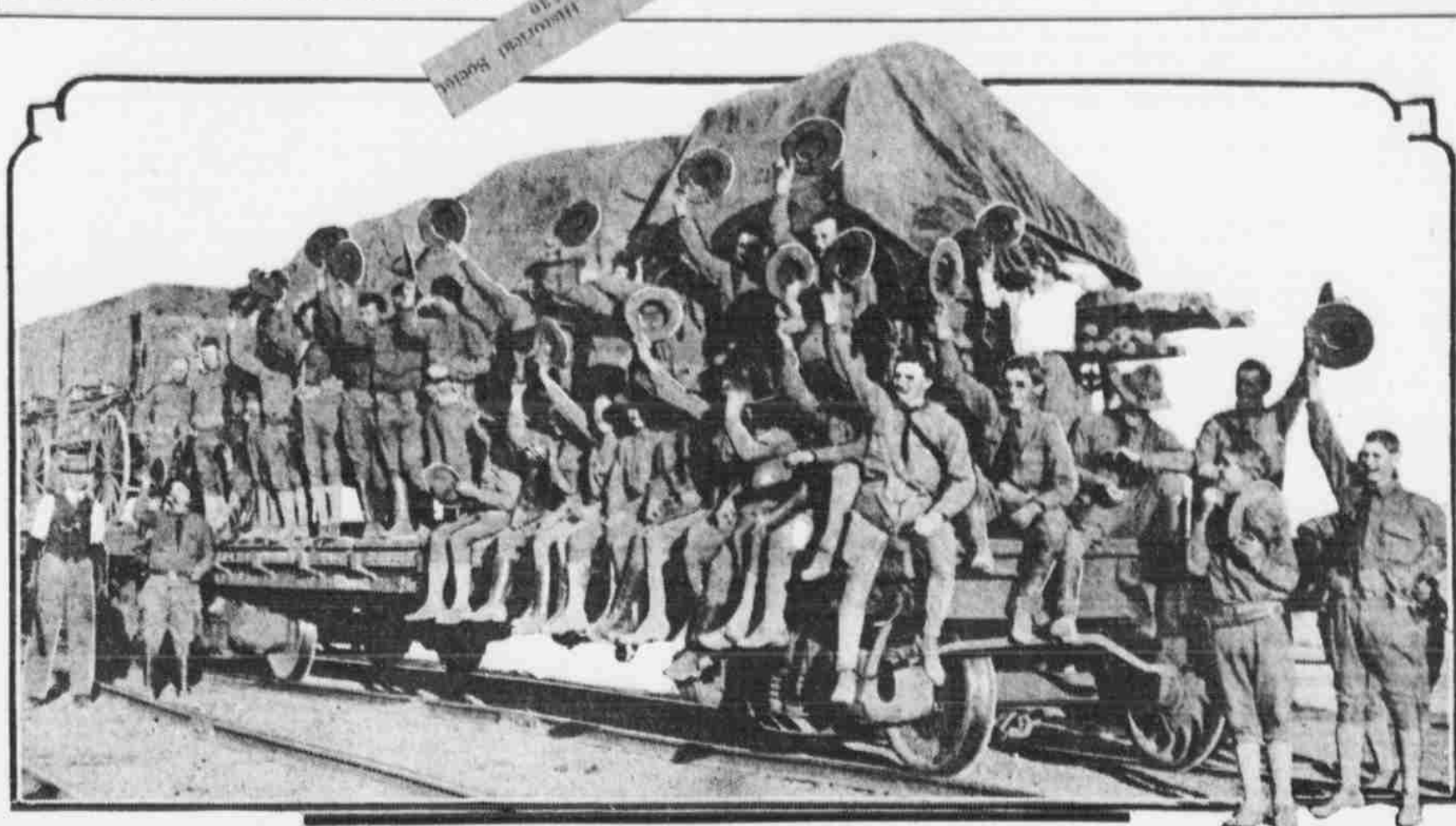
Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday:

Hours	Temp.
5 a. m.	32
6 a. m.	33
7 a. m.	34
8 a. m.	35
9 a. m.	36
10 a. m.	37
11 a. m.	38
12 m.	39
1 p. m.	40
2 p. m.	41
3 p. m.	42
4 p. m.	43
5 p. m.	44
6 p. m.	45
7 p. m.	46
8 p. m.	47
9 p. m.	48
10 p. m.	49
11 p. m.	50
12 m.	51

Comparative Local Record:

Year	High	Low	Mean
1916	51	32	41.5
1915	50	31	40.5
1914	49	30	39.5
1913	48	29	38.5
1912	47	28	37.5
1911	46	27	36.5
1910	45	26	35.5
1909	44	25	34.5
1908	43	24	33.5
1907	42	23	32.5
1906	41	22	31.5
1905	40	21	30.5
1904	39	20	29.5
1903	38	19	28.5
1902	37	18	27.5
1901	36	17	26.5
1900	35	16	25.5

ON THEIR WAY TO MEXICO WITH SUPPLIES FOR PERSHING'S ARMY—Scene "Somewhere in New Mexico," where the army wagons were all loaded on flatcars and ready to move in pursuit of Villa. The soldiers here do not seem to be greatly worried over the immediate future.



NINE KILLED BY GERMAN AIR RAID

Thirty-One Injured Also by Bombs
Dropped Over East Coast
of England.

TEUTON OBSERVER IS KILLED

LONDON, March 19.—Nine persons
were killed and thirty-one in-
jured in a raid of four German aero-
planes over the east coast of Kent
today, it was announced officially to-
night. A British airman brought
down one raider over the sea, the
German observer being killed.

The official statement on the raid
reads:

"Four German aeroplanes flew over
East Kent today. The first pair ap-
peared over Dover at a height of 5,000
feet, one at 1:37 p. m., the second at
3:03 p. m.

"The first dropped six bombs in the
harbor; then went northward, dropping
bombs on the town. The other raider,
after passing over Dover, appeared over
Deal.

"The second pair appeared over Ram-
sgate at 2:10 p. m. They dropped bombs
on the town. One of this pair went
west, the other north, pursued by a British
aeroplane. One bomb is reported to
have been dropped on Margate.

"The second machine appeared over
Westgate at 2:30 p. m. Here several of
our aeroplanes went up in pursuit. No
bombs were dropped on Westgate.

"The total casualties so far reported are
—killed, three men, one woman and five
children; injured, seventeen men, five
women, eight children.

"As far as ascertained forty-eight bombs
were dropped altogether. One bomb fell
on the Canadian hospital at Ramsgate,
causing damage, but no casualties. Ma-
terial damage done, several houses, the
homes of artisans and cottages were
wrecked.

"Flight Commander Bone, royal naval
aviator, in a single-seater aeroplane,
pursued one German aeroplane thirty
miles out to sea, where, after an action
lasting a quarter of an hour, he forced
it to descend. The German machine was
hit many times and the observer was
killed."

French Torpedo Destroyer Sunk By a Submarine

PARIS, March 19.—The French torpedo
boat destroyer Renaudin has been sunk
in the Adriatic by a submarine. Three
officers and forty-four of the crew were
lost. Two officers and thirty-four of the
crew were saved.

The ministry of marine made the fol-
lowing official announcement tonight re-
garding the loss of the destroyer:

"The squadron torpedo boat Renaudin
was sunk in the Adriatic by an enemy
submarine on the morning of March 18.
Three officers, among whom were the
commandant and second officer and forty-
seven seamen were lost.

"Two officers and thirty-four seamen
were rescued by a French torpedo boat
which accompanied the Renaudin."

Burke H. Sinclair Appointed Major

CHEYENNE, Wyo., March 19.—(Special.)

Burke H. Sinclair, private secretary to
Governor John B. Kendrick, today was
appointed a major of the quartermaster's
department of the Wyoming National
Guard, succeeding Captain Graham
Fletcher, resigned. This position will en-
title him to wear a showy uniform,
whereas in his position as secretary to
the governor conventionally limited him
to citizen's apparel. Major Sinclair, who
unquestionably is the handsomest officer
of the state militia, by virtue of his new
position becomes assistant adjutant gen-
eral.

Think Intervention Coming, So They Flee

EL PASO, Tex., March 19.—Americans

arriving today from Torreon and other
parts of Mexico all gave as their reason
for leaving that they thought interven-
tion was coming and that they had better be
out of the country.

Head of Family Burned in Home

SIOUX CITY, Ia., March 19.—After re-
turning his wife and baby from his burn-
ing home early today, Mike Cocca, 201
East First street, re-entered the house to
get some valuables and was burned to
death. His body, burned to a crisp, was
found by firemen after the fire had been
extinguished.

CLOSE UP ENTRIES FOR JOB SEEKERS

Two Hundred and Two Candidates
Filed for Public Office Sub-
ject to Primary.

SATURDAY LAST DAY TO FILE

Two hundred and two patriots, all
of them ready and most of them
eager to serve their country, state
and community, have paid in the ne-
cessary fees to the election commis-
sioner in order to be registered as
candidates for the various offices to
be voted on at the primary election
April 18.—Saturday was the last
day for filing, and the afternoon
saw a heavy rush of office-seekers,
each one armed with funds to cover
the filing fee and proper credentials
required of applicants.

There will be no scarcity of state rep-
resentatives on the primary ballot. Thirty
democrats and thirty-five republicans
have filed. The next most-sought-for job
is that of road overseer. Twenty men
have filed for this place.

On the primary ballot are names fa-
miliar by long public presentation. Sev-
eral who have never held public office,
but who have long sought the honor,
again came forward with their fees and
petitions. "Judge" Julius Cooley, who
asks for the job of justice magistrate, is
one of those who have been most often
discussed, but still remains undunted.

Whether it is the advertising of the
various county jobs where fee-grabbing
has been the rule, that brings large num-
bers of candidates, or whether it is the
desire to see a good job honestly admin-
istered, is a debatable question. At any
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Woman Exonerated By Jury for Killing Her Brutal Husband

FREDERICK, Md., March 19.—Mrs.

Eloise Young English shot and killed her
husband, Arthur E. English, a lawyer of
New York, at their home near here
today. The shooting was done in the
presence of their 6-year-old daughter and
he said to have occurred during a quarrel
English was the son of Thomas Dunn
English, a former congressman from
New Jersey and the author of the song,
"Rag Rag Rag."

Mrs. English was exonerated from
blame for the killing of her husband by a
coroner's jury here tonight after she
and three of her children had testified
as to English's alleged brutality and
frequent threats to kill his wife.

The young woman testified that while
their two sons were cutting wood this
morning she requested her husband to
permit the elder boy to quit on account
of illness. She said this angered her husband
who began to smash dishes and
furniture in his rage. Mrs. English ac-
cused a revolver, hid it in her dress, and
later when her husband took his revolver
and threatened to kill her, she testified,
she emptied the five chambers of her re-
volver into his body.

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college in Omaha, because "Creighton is
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gregational influences."

He was formerly a missionary in
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dent center in the world. There are as
many students in Tokio as there are
people in Omaha. Before the war
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tinction of being the world's greatest
student center."

Bowie Switched.
"Bryan was the son of Judge Silas
Bryan, a deacon in the Baptist church.
He had his trunk packed to go to a
Baptist college, when the agent for a
Presbyterian college came along and
persuaded him to go there. He became a
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terian."

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SKELTON KEYS AND REVOLVER ARE FOUND

CHESTER, S. D., March 19.—(Special.)

Excitement was created here when two
boys found in a corncrib near the stock
yards a bunch of skeleton keys, a .38-
caliber revolver and a number of car-
tridges to fit the gun. A couple of sus-
picious characters were camping at the
stock yards at the time and the authori-
ties now believe they inflicted raiding
the town. A guard was stationed last
night and the intended raid frustrated.
Discovering that the citizens were armed
and on watch the two supposed bandits
departed in the direction of Westworth.

CHURCH COLLEGES FOR BEST RESULTS

President of Grand Island College
Says Biggest Men Come from
Smaller Schools.

FEATURE CHARACTER BUILDING

"Sixty-five per cent of the chan-
cellors and presidents of great insti-
tutions of learning are products of the
smaller denominational colleges.

"All the presidents of the United
States from Hayes to Wilson have
received their educations in church
colleges or colleges founded by
churches, such as Yale, Harvard and
Princeton.

"A few years ago seven of the
nine United States supreme court
justices were graduates of small
denominational colleges."

These statements were made by
Rev. George W. Taft, president of
Grand Island college, in his sermon
yesterday morning at Immanuel Baptist
church. He was answering the
question: "Why should we support
a small denominational college, when
our children can go to the great
state university or to any of a num-
ber of other well-established col-
leges?"

"The non-church colleges and univer-
sities give just as good instruction as
the church colleges," he said, "but the
church colleges lay stress on another
factor, namely, Christian character-build-
ing. Mere learning without character
is a poor thing. And this is why the
graduates of the smaller denominational
schools loom so large on the horizon of
learning and accomplishment."

Leaders from Small Colleges.
"The remarkable showing of small col-
leges holds even in the field of politics
and statesmanship. Take the leading
figures in the two great political parties.

"Charles Evans Hughes is, without
doubt, the biggest figure in the republi-
can party today, the man whom more
republicans want to see president than
any other man. I knew his father, Dr.
Hughes, for years. He was one of the
foremost Baptists and Charles Evans
Hughes got his education in Colgate
and Brown universities. He was the best
governor we ever had back in New
York. And today in the south there are
thousands of democrats who would vote
for him just because they would like
to see a Baptist in the White House."

"Wilson and Bryan are the command-
ing figures in the democratic party. Wil-
son was a Presbyterian preacher's son,
studied in a Presbyterian college, was
a professor and later the president of a
Presbyterian college.

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BOWIE COUNTY, TEXAS, WILL CONTINUE "DRY"

TEXARKANA, Tex., March 19.—Bowie

county, Texas, remains dry as a result
of today's election, in which prohibition
won by a majority of 1,138. The county
has been dry for the last four years. To-
day's election was the result of anti-
prohibition agitation. The complete vote
was: For prohibition, 2,291; against, 1,153.
Texarkana, the largest city, returned a
majority of six for prohibition.

Austrian Hospital Ship Torpedo Victim

BERLIN, March 19.—(Via Wireless to

Saville.)—The Austro-Hungarian hospital
ship Elektra was torpedoed Saturday in
the Adriatic Sea by an entente allied sub-
marine, according to the overseas news
agency. One sailor was drowned and two
Red Cross nurses were seriously wounded.

STAGE FIST FIGHT IN G. O. P. CONVENTION

One of Rival Chairmen at Oklahoma
Republican Meet Arrested
for Carrying Gun.

DELEGATES CLAW AND SCRATCH

MUSKOGEE, Okl., March 18.—

Factional rivalries made the Musko-
gee county republican convention to-
day a scene of riotous tumult, which
was not ended until J. C. Denton,
one of the rival chairmen, was pulled
from the desk upon which he stood
and arrested, charged with carrying
concealed weapons. With his arrest
the supporters of J. J. McGraw of
Ponca City, candidate for national
committeeman, withdrew from the
hall, and the adherents of James
Harris of Wagoner, rival candidate
for the same position, continued
their deliberations.

Trouble began in the convention as soon
as it became apparent that the Harris
and McGraw factions would try to hold
conventions in the same hall. Attempts
by either side to transact business pre-
cipitated disorder, until the delegates
came to a standstill. McGraw's faction
clawed and scratched, while delegates on
the outskirts of the tumult and the spec-
tators in the hall hooted and jeered.

When McGraw's friends abandoned the
convention hall the remaining delegates
named a delegation to the state conven-
tion next week, in Oklahoma City, which
is expected to support James Harris for
national committeeman.

Sees Tirpitz' Fall Sign Germany Gives Up Policy of Force

BERLIN (via London), March 19.—The

Cologne Gazette says that the resigna-
tion of Admiral von Tirpitz, signifying
the first serious crisis in Germany since
the beginning of the war, whereas the
hostile countries there have been several
reorganizations of ministries.

The Gazette says the admiral's retire-
ment does not signify abandonment of
the submarine campaign, which, as shown
by news dispatches of the last few
weeks, in regard to the submarine ac-
tivity, is in full swing.

It is not yet known publicly, the
Gazette continues, to what extent the
admiral's resignation was connected with
the submarine question, but there ap-
pears incipient signs in the press, the
Reichstag and the Prussian chamber, that
an effort is being made to bring public
opinion to the view that subma-
rines should not be used to such an
extent and in such a manner as is nec-
essitated by war, which is only another
name for a means of subduing the en-
emies of the nation by force.

The newspaper argues that such an at-
tempt to bring the measure of public
opinion to bear on Germany's methods
of conducting the war does not har-
monize with German military traditions.

This argument is supported by a long
diversion to the recent history of
France, Italy and Russia to prove that
public opinion drives the military authori-
ties into disastrous strategy.

SCHILLING ON TUBANTIA CONSUL FOR GUATEMALA

AMSTERDAM (via London), March 19.

—Richard Schilling, who with his wife
and daughter, was on board the steam-
ship Tubantia when she was sunk, is the
consul for Guatemala at Stuttgart, where
he has resided for thirteen years. He was
naturalized in the United States thirty
years ago. His wife is a German.

The Altmann de Gethagi gives R.
Schilling as the consul for Guatemala at
Stuttgart.

VILLA ABANDONS HIS WOUNDED AND FLEES LAS CRUCES

Bandit Reaches Babi Cora and
Hurries on to Avoid Battle
with the Troops of
Carranza.

LOPEZ AMONG MEN DESERTED

Villista Leader Whose Death Was
Reported, Among Wounded
at El Valle.

MAKES ESCAPE TO MOUNTAINS

EL PASO, Tex., March 19.—Villa
has reached Babi Cora, near the lake
of that name in the Guerrero region,
after having abandoned thirty of his
wounded at El Valle, according to a
telegram received today by General
Gavira at Juarez from Colonel Nieto
Macias, the commander at Pearson.

This places Villa a little beyond
Las Cruces, where the Carranza offi-
cials reported him yesterday.

Villa fled to avoid conflict with the
Carranza troops under Colonel Cano.
Among the thirty wounded, who had
been shot in the Columbus raid and car-
ried along in wagons only to be aban-
doned at El Valle, was said to be the
Villista leader, Pablo Lopez.

Death Before Reported.
Lopez is the leader whose death was re-
ported as a positive fact at the Columbus
raid. Later reports cast some doubt upon
his death and indicated that another
chief carrying his papers might have been
the real victim. Lopez, in these later re-
ports, was said to be badly wounded.
The telegrams said that Lopez is in a
bad way, having been shot through the
abdomen and both legs, which were
broken. The Villista chief, Cervantes, is
reported with a number of bandits in
Las Cruces.

General Bertani, commanding the Car-
ranza forces at Casas Grandes, came to
Juarez today to talk over the military
situation with his superior, General Gavira.
He said that General Pershing's force
is divided, with part near Casas
Grandes and a part near Galeana, some
distance southwest of Casas Grandes. The
Americans encamp in the country, but
have permission to go to the towns to
buy food, fodder and other obtainable
goods. An order to this effect came from
War Minister Obregon.

No Word About Railway.
No word has yet been received by Gavira
regarding the use of the National
Railways for the transport of Pershing's
supplies, and Gavira added, no shipments
of this kind have yet been made on the
trains out of Juarez. This is a matter
to be settled between Washington and
the Carranza government.

Villa spent last Wednesday and Thurs-
day in El Valle, according to reports at
the Juarez headquarters, but fled with-
out giving battle when he saw the troops
of Colonel Cano from Santa Ana, encamp-
ing up a steep canyon from Los Cruces.

"Villa is now in a very difficult sec-
tion for us," said General Gavira, "and
very favorable for his purposes. He is
now in broken, rocky, pine-clad, moun-
tainous country, full of places of conceal-
ment. Only cavalry can operate in it to
advantage."

Country for Cavalry.
"From the boundary down as far as
Pearson, the country is flat and sandy,
with roads. But south of there, horses
must be used as transports instead of
wagons and motor cars. There are high
ridges and many obstacles. While I have
never campaigned in that section, I
understand good water is obtainable from
springs and also the pasture is fair,
which is to Villa's advantage. But the
people in that part have almost given up
the cultivation of the soil because the
country has been so long overrun by
bandits. They have taken to the hills and
wanted. Villa won't find food there."

"I can say I have every confidence in
the situation, for the net drawn by the
Americans and Mexican forces is closing
up."

Surprise to Gavira.
Villa's turn to the west was rather a
surprise to Gavira, who said that General
Gutierrez thought he would try to escape
eastward—an event Gutierrez was pre-
pared for.

Today Gavira received by wire a copy
of the agreement by which the Carranza
government permitted the entry of the
American force at Columbus.

The town of Juarez spent Sunday in
the usual Mexican fashion, with a line
of refreshment stands along its main
street and orchestras playing in the
amusement resorts. In the evening, a
military band gave a concert in the
plaza.

Gavira Says Carranza Shows His Power by Keeping People Quiet

EL PASO, Tex., March 19.—General

Gavira issued a formal statement to the
Associated Press at his headquarters at
Juarez in which he interpreted the fact
that no resistance had been offered to the
American forces crossing the border as
proof of the faith of the Mexican people
in Carranza. The statement concludes